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Bill,

We already have a similar disclosure from Alan Urban (case 3574.Palm) for a detachable mini-keyboard underway for preparation and filing at our outside firm of Foley Lardner.

However, since your disclosure provides some additional novel features not disclosed in Alan's original disclosure, such as making the mini-keyboard foldable, I am proposing to combine your disclosure with his into a single application using the existing docket number of 3574.Palm. We are in effect adding you as co-inventor with Alan.

Joe/ Alistair - Please review Bill's additional disclosure, which includes some excellent pictures that you may want to consider using in the patent application, and ensure claims are directed to the additional features/embodiments. We would like to have this case filed by January 15 - please confirm to me if that's doable. Also, please include Bill in your inventor interview. In case you have already completed an interview with Alan, please be sure to interview Bill additionally before filing this case.

Thanks,

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Sent by: Bill Webb - Senior Industrial Designer, Palm Corp.

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attached is a patent application for a new product idea we have developed here internally within Palm design. The invention is for a fold-away mini-keyboard as an alternative text input method for palm viewers, specifically for wireless applications, (email, chat, etc.).

The illustrations, as well as a further, more complete explanation can be found in the attached word doc. There is a sense of urgency surrounding the protection of this idea, based upon the plans to dev. ASAP for user testing, as well as the fear that it may be shared in a limited way by our executives in one of the upcoming trade shows, (CEBET in a few weeks).

**Exhibit F**

Wanted to fire this off to you before the holidays,  
Talk to you after the break,

Bill Webb  
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(See attached file: patent\_keyboard.doc)